

	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT					HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL	24	-	21	=	3	\$ 18	\$54.00		
INDEPENDENT	4	-	3	=	1	\$ 84	\$84.00		
<input type="checkbox"/> FIRST PRESENTATION OF A MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM							\$280	\$0.00	
							TOTAL	\$138.00	

- ☐ Petition for ( ) month(s) extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.17 and 1.136(a). \$0.00 for the extension of time.
- ☐ No fee is required.
- ☒ Check(s) in the amount of \$138.00 is(are) enclosed.
- ☐ Please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2448 in the amount of \$0.00. This form is submitted in triplicate.

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If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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MS FEE AMENDMENT  
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IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Yukio NAKANISHI et al      Conf.: 8243  
Appl. No.: 10/000,159      Group: 1731  
Filed: December 4, 2001      Examiner: D.A. WALLS  
For: SHEET TOBACCO, AND PROCESS AND SYSTEM  
FOR MANUFACTURING THE SAME

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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

MS FEE AMENDMENT  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

July 17, 2003

Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated April 17, 2003, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application. Please note that a Preliminary Amendment was filed in this case on December 4, 2001 making changes to the claims. Please also note that a response to a Restriction Requirement was filed on March 14, 2003 electing the Group I claims, which are claims 1-7.

This reply includes Claim Set as Amended.

The amendments presented herein comply with the "Revised Amendment Format" as set forth in the Official Gazette Notice dated February 25, 2003. In accordance with the Notice, the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.121(a)-(d) are waived.

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